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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] divisional, application of pending prior Application No. 09/430,822 (Confirmation No. 7788), filed October 29, 1999.

Transmitted herewith for filing are the [X] specification; [X] claims; [X] abstract; [X] Declaration; [X] Preliminary Amendment; for the above-identified patent application.

The enclosed declaration is:

[X] Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).

- [X] The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- [X] The prior application, Application No. <u>09/430,822</u>, filed <u>October 29, 1999</u> is assigned of record to <u>Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated.</u>

Also transmitted herewith are:

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[] Formal drawings.

The filing fee is calculated as shown below*:

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$710.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	S 12 -	20 = 0	x \$18 =	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS		3 = 3	x \$80 =	\$240.00
[] A MULTIPL	E DEPENDEN	IT CLAIM	+ \$270 =	\$0
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^{*} Fee calculation based on claims pending after Preliminary Amendment, submitted herewith.

[X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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